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## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR MIKE KEHOE AND LINCOLN UNIVERSITY PARTNER IN BICENTENNIAL PAINT FOR A CAUSE

Jefferson City, MO- Missouri Lieutenant Governor Mike Kehoe and Lincoln University will collaborate to offer the Missouri Bicentennial Paint For A Cause in Jefferson City on Wednesday, March 10. Artists Aaron Horrell and Barb Bailey have traveled around the state with panels from the 12 foot by 30 foot mural featuring various symbols of Missouri. The pair, along with volunteers, assists citizens with painting small triangles to mark their place in this historic piece, which will eventually be permanently housed in the Truman Building in Jefferson City.

Visitors may make their painting contribution to the mural outside Room 224 of the Missouri State Capitol from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The mural will be available at Lincoln University in the Scruggs University Center Ballroom from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Lieutenant Governor Mike Kehoe and Lincoln University President Jerald Jones Woolfolk welcome the opportunity to host the mural on the last leg of its traveling tour.

"The Missouri State Capitol is one of the most noticeable symbols of the State of Missouri, making it a fitting location for the final phase of this historic project commemorating Missouri's Bicentennial," says Kehoe. "I am glad to celebrate this special day with another great institution, and historical landmark, as the mural also makes a stop at Lincoln University."

Woolfolk adds, "Our founders of Lincoln University, veterans of the Civil War, were residents of Missouri who fought hard to not only come home, but to bring the opportunity for education back with them. This unique experience for our students, faculty and staff is another way we can leave our mark on state history and I thank Lieutenant Governor Kehoe for his partnership."

The Missouri Bicentennial Paint For A Cause mural has made stops in all regions of the state since 2019. More than 12,000 people have assisted in finishing this project by lending their hand to paint. The final work will be revealed on July 4 in Cape Girardeau.

August 10, 2021 marks the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Missouri becoming the 24<sup>th</sup> state of The United States.